

**MALLARD BAY FIELD**  
**03-443**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.**

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2003**, upon the application of **BALLARD EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Alliance Zone, Reservoir A**, in the Mallard Bay Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations and create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate, such unit to be designated ALL RA SUA.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate a unit well for the proposed unit.
4. To designate Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. as the unit operator for the proposed unit.
5. To provide that any future substitute or alternate unit wells for the proposed unit be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorize to reclassify the Alliance Zone, Reservoir A, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Alliance Zone, Reservoir A, in the Mallard Bay Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 12,085' and 12,930' (ELM) (12,082' and 12,902' TVD) in the Arco Oil and Gas - M O Long - Comegys No. 1 Well, located in Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 3 West. The base of the zone is further defined as being encountered at a depth of 12,510' (ELM) in the Conoco Inc. - Mary O Long No. 3 Well, located in Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 3 West.

A plat is for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.  
[www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm](http://www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm).

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All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

**BY ORDER OF:**

**JAMES H. WELSH**  
**COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION**

Baton Rouge, La

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DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION -  
ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-  
9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING  
DATE.**